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The health authorities at Plattsburg seemed active and desirous of doing everything in their power to stamp out the epidemic.

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Respectfully, JOSEPH B. GREENE,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Inspection service at Eastport, Me.

EASTPORT, ME., *December 19, 1901.*

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, December 19, 1901:

Vessels inspected.

Date.	Vessel.	From.	For.	Crew.	Passengers.	
					For Eastport.	In transit.
Dec. 14	Ss. State of Maine	Boston	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	54	16	20
Dec. 16	do	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Boston	54	4	12
Dec. 17	Sc. Jessie D.	Windsor, Nova Scotia.	Boston	5		
Dec. 18	Ss. Aurora	St John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8		8
Dec. 19	Ss. St. Croix	Boston	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	33	35

I satisfy myself that crews and passengers are vaccinated. If not, I insist on their being vaccinated.

My latest reports from St. John, New Brunswick, give a total of 78 cases of smallpox, with 17 deaths, 16 recoveries, and 45 still sick.

A vessel in our harbor from Windsor, Nova Scotia, for Boston had a sick seaman on board last Tuesday. Rumor had it a case of smallpox. I went on board and investigated the case and found it a case of acute gastritis.

Respectfully, E. M. SMALL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

EASTPORT, ME., *December 26, 1901.*

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, December 26, 1901:

Vessels inspected.

Date.	Vessel.	From.	For.	Crew.	Passengers.	
					For Eastport.	In transit.
Dec. 20	Ss. St. Croix	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Boston	61	3	71
Dec. 21	Sc. Surprise	Tansboro, Nova Scotia.	Eastport	3		
Dec. 23	H. M. S. Curlew	St. Andrews, New Brunswick.	do	19		
Dec. 24	Ss. St. Croix	Boston	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	60	74
Dec. 25	Ss. Aurora	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	2	
Dec. 26	Ss. St. Croix	do	Eastport and Boston	61	3	38
Do	Sc. Judge Low	Boston	Eastport and Calais	4		

I found the crews all vaccinated, and I vaccinated all passengers not previously protected. I am sorry to report that smallpox is increasing in St. John, New Brunswick. For the two weeks ended to day there have been 14 new cases. We have had no case in Eastport up to the present time. I shall use every effort in my power to prevent the disease from entering the United States from the British provinces.

Respectfully, EDWARD M. SMALL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

EASTPORT, ME., *January 2, 1902.*

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, January 2, 1902:

Vessels inspected.

Date.	Vessel.	From.	For.	Crew.	Passengers.	
					For Eastport.	In transit.
Dec. 31	Ss. St. Croix	Boston and Portland	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	48	39
1902. Jan. 1	Ss. Aurora	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	.....	3
Jan. 2	Ss. St. Croix	do	Eastport, Portland, and Boston.	61	7	36

The steamer *State of Maine* has been taken off the route for a few weeks. I learn of 23 cases of smallpox reported in St. John, New Brunswick, for the last two weeks. No case here or in the immediate vicinity. I give these steamers arriving from St. John, New Brunswick, a very thorough inspection.

Respectfully, EDWARD M. SMALL,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Inspection service between Vanceboro, Me., and St. John, New Brunswick.

VANCEBORO, ME., *December 28, 1901.*

SIR: Since my last report of 21st instant, 15 reported cases of smallpox have occurred in St. John with 5 deaths. During the week just ended I have inspected as follows:

Approximate number of passengers, 600; number vaccinated by me, 48; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 43. I am obliged to consider all the district along the main railway line to St. John as infected, owing to the practice of St. John passengers buying tickets from St. John to some intermediate point between St. John and Vanceboro and from that point buying tickets to destination. The same practice obtains with baggage, as well as a custom of sending baggage by express to some intermediate point and from there checking to destination. Since last report very little vaccination has been done in St. John except among those who are obliged to pass this point.

Respectfully, M. L. YOUNG,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from South American and West Indian ports.

BALTIMORE, MD., *December 28, 1901.*

SIR: I have to report the arrival at this port for the week ended this day of the following-named vessels from the ports named: December 24, British steamship *Yanariva*, from Rio de Janeiro, with ore; British